

*Newsletter*Spring 2025

Executive Director's Report

Melanie Harthoorr

By God's grace, significant progress continues to be made in the development of the care home. The board remains actively engaged, holding regular meetings to ensure steady advancement. A building committee and a policy committee have been established, with both groups diligently carrying out their respective responsibilities.

We recently bid farewell to board director Anno Bylsma, who stepped down for personal reasons. Anno's visionary leadership and encouragement will be greatly missed, but we extend our best wishes as he follows the path the Lord has set before him.

We are currently seeking individuals who are interested in serving on the board. The role is highly involved, yet

it offers a rewarding and encouraging experience. At present, the board is reading Mission Drift by Peter Greer and Chris Horst to guide our efforts in defining policies and establishing clear organizational guidelines.

Additionally, the board is excited to announce a new initiative designed to expand our mission to individuals still living in their own homes. Please continue reading for more information.

The design for the care home is progressing steadily, and we are eager to share a preview of it later in this newsletter.

In all things, we give praise and glory to our Heavenly Father, who blesses us with these opportunities. Soli Deo Gloria! "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God."

1 John 4:7

Mission: Supporting and empowering the Reformed community in providing Christ-centred, holistic care to our aged and infirm

through a Christian care-home.

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Support Statement

"For Reformed believers who see all of life under the Lordship of Christ, it is reassuring to see such a place where residents will be able to live with dignity and receive care in a manner consistent with Christian values."

Taber United Reformed Church



Current and Upcoming Financial Needs

We are deeply grateful for the generous donations we have received from both individuals and churches. Thanks to your support, we have been able to cover all costs incurred thus far with ease.

The funds raised will be allocated towards ongoing administrative expenses, upcoming subdivision and civil engineering costs (approximately \$90,000), the land purchase (\$270,000, once final conditions are removed), and initial expenses associated with launching the home care agency (including insurance and administrative costs).

If you would like to **contribute to BeLoved Care to help cover these essential costs**, please refer to the back page for detailed information on how to make a donation.

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Support Statement

"We are glad to express our support and pray God will continue to lead by His Holy Spirit so that the body of Jesus Christ is continually built up. We look forward to learning how the Lord is blessing the work of your hand."

Iron Springs Christian Reformed Church

Summary of Activities

Progress continues at a steady pace, and we are pleased to share a summary of key activities over the past few months:

- Collaborated with the Town of Coaldale and Coaldale Christian School (CCS) to successfully re-zone the entire parcel of land belonging to CCS.
- Submitted a subdivision application, in partnership with CCS, to subdivide 3.2 acres from the parcel for the future care home development.
- Initiated discussions with civil engineering firms to conduct site assessments and determine project requirements.
- Conducted further tours of multiple care homes, also with stakeholders, to gather ideas and feedback.
- Undertaken extensive work to refine the care home's design, incorporating input from nurses, care home staff, and stakeholders to ensure it meets current and future needs.
- Presented the vision for BeLoved Care to additional Reformed church councils, further expanding support and awareness.
- Established a donor management system to streamline contributions and ensure effective stewardship.
- Held further meetings with Alberta Health Services to discuss funding opportunities, policies, and regulatory standards,

We remain committed to advancing the project with diligence and collaboration, trusting in God's continued guidance as we move forward.

A Sneak Peak

We have received numerous inquiries regarding the progress of the care home...the excitement is palpable! By God's grace, the board anticipates having the care home design finalized and a cost estimate available by this fall. In the meantime, we are pleased to offer a sneak peek to give you a glimpse of what's to come. Please visit our website to view a copy of an architectural rendering of BeLoved Care!

The future care home is planned to be built, God willing, on the property across from Coaldale Christian School—an ideal location central to reformed churches.

Our vision for the design is to create a space that is not only practical and fiscally responsible but also enduring, inviting, and beautiful. Above all, we aim to craft a home that honors God—one where His covenant people can find comfort, rest, and protection within a community of fellow believers.







Seeking Finance Committee Members

If you have fundraising, business or financial skills, the board is **seeking dedicated and passionate individuals to serve on a Finance Committee** to help ensure the success of the mission. We'd love to hear from you!



Home care provides an invaluable service, allowing individuals to remain in the comfort of their own homes while receiving the care they need. Recently, the Alberta government has introduced a streamlined process enabling private home-care providers to offer services and bill directly, making home care more accessible.

Through consultations with Alberta Health Services (AHS) and a private home-care provider, we have confirmed that this presents a highly viable opportunity. This initiative would allow us to expand our mission, offering support to members of our church communities who require home care. Similar to our approach with the care home, our vision is not to replace the family and communion of saints, but to come alongside. Additionally, this endeavour would allow us to extend our mission of service and witness to the broader community, both in word and deed.

At this stage, the board of BeLoved Care is seeking a dedicated individual to assist in developing and managing this new venture. While much of the foundational work has already been completed, we need someone who is passionate about seeing this initiative come to fruition and driving its ongoing success.

If you feel called to take on this important role, we encourage you to prayerfully consider it and reach out to us for further discussion and job description.

Support Statement

"We endorse the idea and pray that, once these plans have become reality, it may become a blessing for the elderly residents."

Shiloh Free Reformed Church, Picture Butte

Support Statement

"We are truly excited to join together as Christians from various Reformed denominations in this vital work, serving the loved ones in our congregations and beyond."

Nobleford Christian Reformed Church

BeLoved Care Financial Statement 2024

Jan 1 - Dec 31 2024

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| Total Donations and other income \$59,100 |
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| Expenses |
| Advertising\$1,278 |
| Professional services\$4,265 |
| Land development\$3,750 |
| Salaries and wages\$4,415 |
| Payroll taxes\$324 |
| Office supplies\$116 |
| Administration Fees\$668 |
| Total Expenses\$14,816 |
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